

Sun Safety #2

Create a sun safety school policy that encourages students, teachers and staff to protect them from the sun when they are outside.



Definition: This policy would encourage students be safe in the sun and allow them to protect themselves by wearing visors, hats, sunglasses, or sunscreen when they go outside. It is important that teachers convey the importance of sun safety and skin cancer prevention to the students. Create and/or support a policy that allows students to wear hats and sunglasses during recess. Ensure that the playground is appropriately shaded.

Resources:

UCAN'S Resources for Teachers
<http://health.utah.gov/ucan/cancer/schools.htm>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Sun Safety at Schools:
http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/pdf/sunsafety_v0908.pdf

Shade Planning for America's Schools:
http://health.utah.gov/ucan/cancer/schpieces/Shade_Planning.pdf

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Assignments

School Coordinator Assignments

- Review school's current policy
- Determine how school will incorporate policy
- Tell school leaders, parents, and teachers about the policy
- Determine best ways to promote the policy to teachers and staff
- Develop ways to spread the message about the importance of sun safety and cancer prevention for children and adults